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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX PATENT APPLICATION
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the divisional application as follows before consideration of this case:

In the Title:

Please replace the current title with the new title "VERIFICATION OF TRUSTED-PATH COMMANDS".

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-20.

Please add new claims 21-28:

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21. (New) A machine-executed method for verifying the existence of a trusted path to a user in a computing system, the computer system including a trusted computing environment, the method comprising the steps of: